(b) to (d) There is no proposal under consideration to put a ban on the manufacture and sale of tobacco for chewing purposes in the country. However, during the 8th Five Year Plan more emphasis is being given on prevention and early detection of cancer including oral cancer. Under the National Cancer Control Programme various health education measures are being taken to educate the people to create awareness amongest them about the likely couses of cancer. The ill effects of Tabocco chewing and smoking are suitable highlighted.

Grievances of Employees of I.C.M.R.

205. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the grievances raised by the employees of ICMR as reported in the Indian Express of 10th April, 1992; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Association of the Employees of Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) has called off the strike since 23-4-1992 having been informed of the action being taken to redress their grievances.

दिल्ली में मलेरिया होने संबंधी मामले

206. श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह : क्या **स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण** मंत्री यह यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) हाल ही में दिल्ली में मलेरिया के प्रकोप में वृद्धि हुई है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण है और सरकार इसकी रोकथाम के लिये क्या कार्यवाही कर रही है ?

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती डी. के. तारा देवी सिद्धार्थ) : (क) जी, नहीं।

(ख) यह प्रश्न नहीं उठता। तथापि दिल्ली में मलेरिया की रोकथाम करने के लिये निम्नलिखित उपचारी कदम उठाए जा रहे हैं;

1. रोगों का तत्काल निदान और उपचार।
2. रसायनों और जैव-पर्यावरणिक पद्धतियों के माध्यम से मच्छरों के प्रकोप को रोकने के लिये प्रति सप्ताह लार्वा-रोधी कार्यकलाप।
3. ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में कीटनाशी दवाओं का छिड़काव।

Research Facilities in AIIMS

207. SHRI P. UPENDRA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the All India Institute of Medical Sciences in Delhi and other places have been set up as referral hospitals;

(b) whether it is a fact that these Institutions have virtually been converted into general hospitals; and

(c) if so, what steps Government are taking to upgrade the medical facilities in the Institutes, to provide more research facilities and restore the original character of the Institutes ?